CITY COUNCIL AGENDA JULY 24, 2017







ROCKY MOUNT CITY COUNCIL VISION STATEMENT

Rocky Mount is a City composed of people of diverse backgrounds, heritages, and interests with a shared sense of values, stewardship and community.

It is a City where all citizens have the opportunity to realize their full potential through individual initiative and community support.

Its citizens enjoy and value the benefits of efficient, cost-effective and responsive public services, a strong and diversified economy, and superior cultural and educational resources.

Rocky Mount recognizes and appreciates its history while responding to the challenges and opportunities of regional and global change in a proactive and realistic manner.





WELCOME!

We are pleased you are attending a Rocky Mount City Council meeting. You are now participating in the process of representative government. We appreciate your interest and hope you and your fellow citizens will attend often. Democracy cannot endure without an informed electorate.

Rocky Mount has the Council-Manager form of local government. Policy is set by the Mayor and Council, who are elected by the people. The policy is implemented by the City Manager, who is appointed by the Council. The Council decides what is to be done. The City Manager, operating through the entire City staff, does it. This separation of policy-making and policy administration is considered the most economical and efficient form of City government.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The City Council meets in regular session twice each month in the George W. Dudley City Council Chamber of the Frederick E. Turnage Municipal Building. These meetings are open to the public and are held on the following schedule:

2nd Monday - 7:00 p.m. 4th Monday - 4:00 p.m.

At these meetings, the City's business is conducted and ordinances and resolutions, the laws of Rocky Mount, are enacted. Ordinances take effect upon their adoption when approved by a majority of the Council. All ordinances must be in writing. They are introduced at one meeting and adopted at a subsequent meeting. The Council may, however, by an affirmative vote of five (5) members, adopt an ordinance at the same meeting it is introduced. The Council frequently uses this procedure.

Councilmembers receive the agenda for a Council meeting, together with detailed background material, on the Thursday prior to each regular meeting. This gives them the opportunity to study each item on the agenda prior to the meeting and consult with the City Manager or City staff members. If no additional pertinent facts are presented at the meeting, items are often acted upon without further discussion, particularly in routine matters. This procedure helps Council meetings to move more expeditiously.

INFORMAL WORK SESSIONS OR COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Council generally conducts a work session or COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE meeting at 5:00 p.m. prior to the first regular monthly meeting. The COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE is the entire City Council meeting as a committee to discuss matters requiring more in-depth explanation, study or discussion. The Committee frequently makes recommendations to the City Council, however, no recommendations made by the COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE are final until accepted by the Council in a regular meeting.

These meetings are open to the public.





AGENDA FOR A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT TO BE HELD MONDAY, JULY 24, 2017 AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE GEORGE W. DUDLEY CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE FREDERICK E. TURNAGE MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

- 1. Meeting Called to Order by the Mayor.
- 2. Prayer.
- 3. Roll Call by the City Clerk.
- 4. Approval of the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City Council Held July 10, 2017. (View)
- 5. Petitions to be Received from the Public.

Note: Citizens shall state their name and address for public record and limit presentations to three (3) minutes. Time will be monitored.

6. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Consideration of Recommendation for Approval of Award of Duty Sidearm to Captain Brian McGrath for 29 Years of Service, Retirement Date August 1, 2017.(*View*)
- B. Consideration of the Following Tax Releases and/or Refunds:(*View*)
 - Schedule A Report of taxes under \$100 approved for release and/or refund by the City Manager.
 - Schedule B Report of taxes over \$100 recommended for release and/or refund by the City Council.
- C. Consideration of the Following Requests for Temporary Street Closings: (View)
 - a. From Dr. Emanuel R. Shell, Open Door Ministry of Faith Deliverance Center, Inc., to Close the 800 Block of Planters Street from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 12, 2017 for a community event;
 - b. From Bob League to Close the Dartmoor Court from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 1, 2017 for a National Night Out celebration (NOTE: Approval subject to intersection of Dartmoor Court and Sheffield Drive remaining open);
 - c. From Yvonne Hickman, Mayview Community, to Close Chase Street/Chase Court from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 1, 2017 for a National Night Out event;
 - d. From Ruth Bullard to Close the 900 Block of Arlington Street from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 1, 2017 for a Block Party to celebrate National Night Out.

Recommended Action: Approve Consent Agenda (inclusive of approval of award of duty sidearm; tax releases and street closings).

7. Consideration of Approval to Apply for 2017 Bulletproof Vest Grant - \$7,356 (50% local match required - \$3,678).(*View*)

Recommended Action: Authorize Staff to Apply for Grant.

8. Consideration of Ordinance Ordering the Community Code Inspector to Proceed with Demolition of the

Following Substandard Properties:(View)

- a. 1332 Maple Street
- b. 538 Center Street
- c. 512 Arlington Street

Recommended Action: Adopt Ordinance.

- 9. Consideration of FY 2018 Employee Benefit Contracts (effective July 1, 2017):(View)
 - a. Employee Group Health Insurance renew contract with Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina PPO Plan (effective July 1, 2017 new hires may only participate in Consumer Driven/HSA plan, employees currently in the PPO plan may continue to participate); administrative fee increase of 3.9%; enhance HealthMapRx Program by adding Mental Health for anxiety and depression; continue wellness incentive contribution to HSA plan (\$600 + \$350 additional incentive for waist circumference/BMI incentive);
 - b. Dental Plan no change;
 - c. Gilsbar/FSA participants may contribute up to IRS maximum (\$2,600);
 - d. Voluntary Vision Plan no change;
 - e. Short Term Disability no change;
 - f. Voluntary Term Life no change;
 - g. Cancer Plan no change;
 - h. Life Insurance (City Paid) no change; and
 - i. AFLAC no change.

Recommended Action: Approve Recommendations and Authorize the Mayor and/or City Clerk to Execute Any Necessary Documentation.

10. Consideration of Water Assessment Contract with Hat Creek LLC for Water Service at 212 Triple Court (\$1,765 water connection fees prepaid; \$2,500 water main fees to be assessed).(*View*)

Recommended Action: Approve Contract and Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute the Same on Behalf of the City.

11. Consideration of Electric Service Agreement with Hudson Rocky Mount Real Property, LLC, (Rocky Mount Toyota) for Service at 943 North Wesleyan Boulevard (outlines terms and conditions for sale of electric power).(*View*)

Recommended Action: Approve Agreement and Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute the Same on Behalf of the City.

12. Consideration of Consultant Services Contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. for development of the Rocky Mount Urban Area Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2045 (plan is a requirement of State and Federal transportation guidelines; total cost \$140,000 [NCDOT reimbursement to City/\$112,000; City share \$28,000]).(*View*)

Recommended Action: Approve Agreement and Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute the Same on Behalf of the City.

13. Consideration of the Following Transit Grants:

- a. FY 2018 Demonstration Program Grant Agreement for Funding for a Portion of Tar River Transit's General Public Transportation Program Operating Expenses (NCDOT = \$135,423; City Local Match = \$135,424); and 2) Resolution Authorizing the City of Rocky Mount to Enter into an Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation; (*View*)
- b. FY 2018 5303 Metropolitan Planning Program Grant from the North Carolina Department of Transportation (City is designated Federal Transit Administration recipient for the Rocky Mount Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization) for Various Planning Activities for the Transit Department (FTA = \$31,200; NCDOT = \$3,900; City Local Match = \$3,900); and (*View*)
- c. Consideration of FY 2018 5317 New Freedom Program Grant from the North Carolina Department of Transportation for Salary Expenses for a Mobility Manager Position (FTA = \$28,000; NCDOT = \$3,500; City Local Match = \$3,500). (*View*)
- Recommended Action: 1) Approve Grant Agreements and Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute Required Documentation and Certifications; and
 - 2) Adopt Resolution.
- 14. Consideration of Bid for Grounds Maintenance and Landscaping award to Precision Cut Landscaping & Lawn Care, LLC @ annually \$117,186 (two-year contract cost \$234,372). (View)

Recommended Action: 1) Award Bid as Recommended; and

- 2) Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute the Bid Contract on Behalf of the City.
- 15. Appointments: (View)
 - a. Board of Adjustment (Alternate/expires 6/30/2020; see attached personal history form); and
 - b. Utility Service Review Board (Ward 1 expires 6/30/2021).